A PROCLAMATION

Anent keeping the Dyets of the Commisſion of the Kirk.

CHARLES, by the Grace of GOD, King of Great *Britain*, *France* and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith; To Macers and Meſſengers of Arms; Our Sheriffs in that part, conjunctly and ſeverally, Specially, Conſtitute, Greeting: Whereas, by the fifteenth Act of the third Seſſion of Our ſecond Parliament, Dated at *Edinburgh*, the twenty eight day of *Auguſt*, one thouſand ſix hundred and ſeventy two years, Intituled, *Commiſſion for plantation of Kirks, and valuation of Teinds*, It is declared, That if any of the Commiſſioners be unable to attend that Service through Death, Sickneſs, or other known impediment, We ſhould be careful to fill their places with other perſons qualified: And alſo, conſidering that Our Officers of State for the time, were nominated Commiſſioners, and that ſome of the Commiſſioners, viz. The Earl of *Dunfermling*, late Lord Privy Seal, and [illegible] of *Lee*, late Juſtice Clerk, (Officers of State) are deceaſed, and that the Marqueſs of *Athol* is preferred to be Lord Privy Seal, and Sir *Thomas Wallace* of *Craigie* to be Juſtice Clerk; And which two were alſo nominate Commiſſioners by the ſaid Commiſſion: And likewiſe conſidering, that Sir *Charles Erskin* of *Cambo*, Sir *William Lockhart* of *Lee*, Sir *William Thomſon* and *Thomas Calderwood*, four of the Commiſſioners therein mentioned, are dead; So that there is a Vacancy of ſix of the ſaids Commiſſioners: And being well ſatisfied with the qualifications and abilities of the Perſons after-named, for diſcharge of that Truſt, and being confident of their Integrity; We have therefore nominated, added, made, and appointed *Alexander* Earl of *Murray*, as one for the Nobility, Sir *George Mckenzie* of *Tarbit*, *John Drummond* of *Londie*, and *Richard Maitland* of *Gogar*, as three for the Barrons, *Francis Kinloch* of *Gilmertoun*, Lord Provoſt of *Edinburgh*, and Mr. *James Rocheid*, Town Clerk of *Edinburgh*, as two for the Burrows, Commiſſioners in place of the foreſaids perſons, to the effect foreſaid. And it being Our Pleaſure, that the uſual Diets and Meetings of the ſaid Commiſſion, ſhould be exactly attended, for the ſpeedy diſpatch of Juſtice to Our Leidges, in their Affairs before that Court; Our Will is Herefore; And We charge you ſtraitly, and Command, that incontinent, after ſight hereof, Ye paſs to the Mercat Croſs of *Edinburgh*, and other places needful, and there, by open Proclamation, in Our Name and Authority, make intimation of this Our Royal Pleaſure, requiring the forenamed Commiſſioners, and all others named in the ſaid Commiſſion, to give due and exact attendance upon the uſual Diets and Meetings thereof, for the ſpeedy diſpatch of Juſtice to Our Leidges, in their Affairs, before that Court, as they tender Our Service, and will be anſwerable for their neglect. Given at Our Court at *Whitehall*, the twenty one day of *October*, one thouſand ſix hundred and ſeventy eight, and of Our Reign the thirtieth year.

God ſave the King.

Per Actum Dominorum Commiſſionis.

Hugh Wallace, Cls. Com.

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